

Dear Mr. Mohinta,

It is with great pleasure that I share this inaugural edition of *From the Heart*, our monthly newsletter that seeks to share stories and experiences from the Oberoi world.

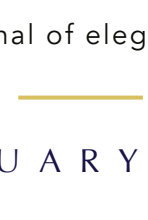
This first edition, themed around the wonders of the wild, invites you to embark on a journey through nature's most enchanting realms. This month, we are delighted to showcase three of our wildlife resorts: The Oberoi Vindhya Vilās in Bandhavgarh, which opens in March 2025; The Oberoi Sukhvilās, nestled within 8,000 acres of the serene Siswan Forest near Chandigarh; and The Oberoi Vanyavilās, located in Ranthambore's majestic wilderness. Each of these destinations offers not only a memorable getaway but also the opportunity to embrace nature in its most pristine form.

Through *From the Heart*, we look forward to bringing you closer to the essence of Oberoi Hotels & Resorts, with experiences that inspire, delight, and create lasting memories.

Yours sincerely,

Vikram Oberoi

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Chief Executive Officer
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Your monthly journal of elegance and discovery

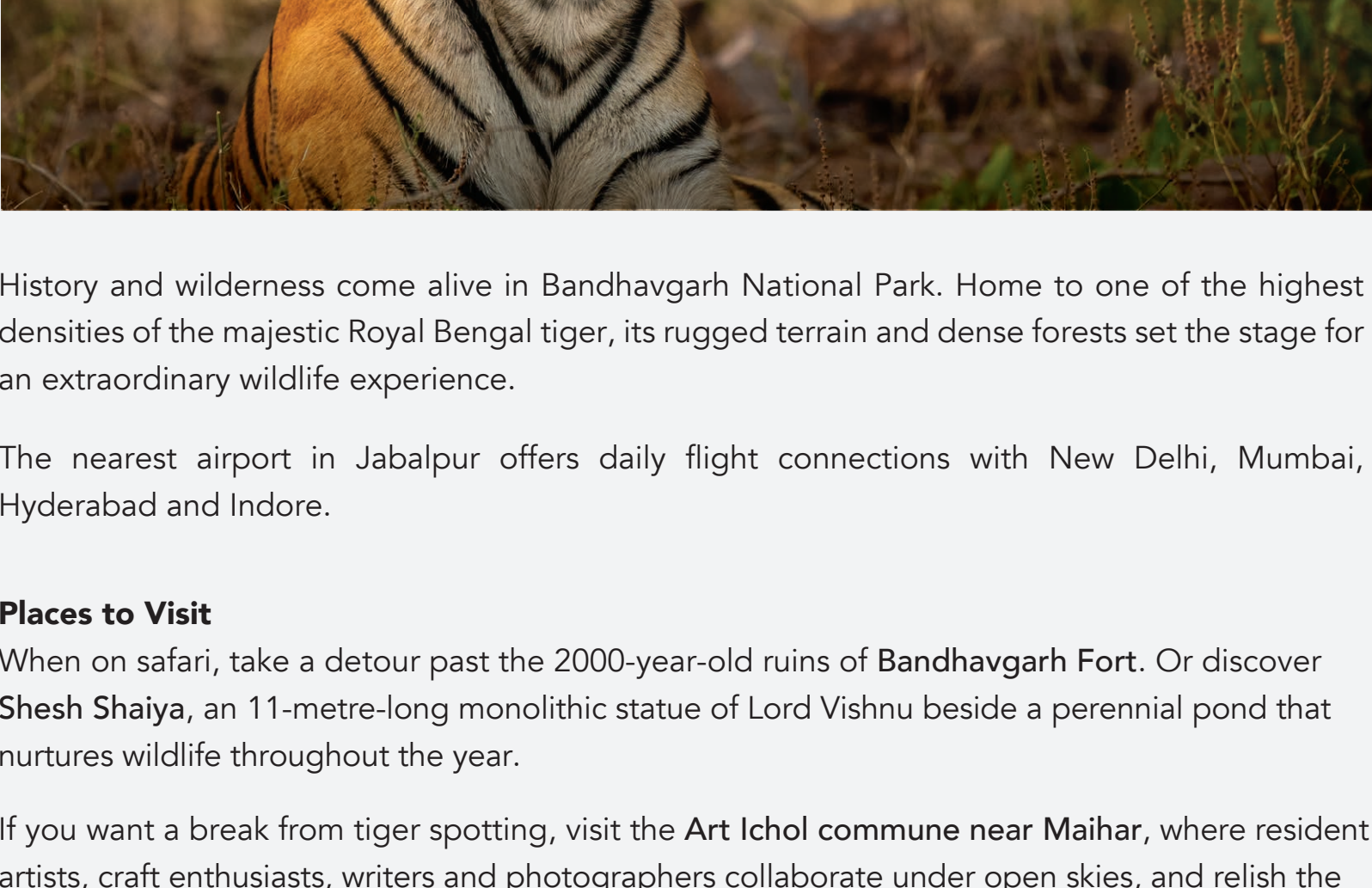
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NEW BEGINNINGS

We are delighted to introduce The Oberoi Vindhya Vilās Wildlife Resort, Bandhavgarh, nestled in the heart of Madhya Pradesh in India. Situated on the edge of the Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve, the resort offers 19 luxurious tents, 2 villas featuring private temperature-controlled pools, and an exquisite The Oberoi Spa. A serene haven for wildlife enthusiasts and adventure seekers alike, it provides the perfect base for jungle safaris guided by our seasoned naturalists.

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DESTINATION DIARIES: BANDHAVGARH



History and wilderness come alive in Bandhavgarh National Park. Home to one of the highest densities of the majestic Royal Bengal tiger, its rugged terrain and dense forests set the stage for an extraordinary wildlife experience.

The nearest airport in Jabalpur offers daily flight connections with New Delhi, Mumbai, Hyderabad and Indore.

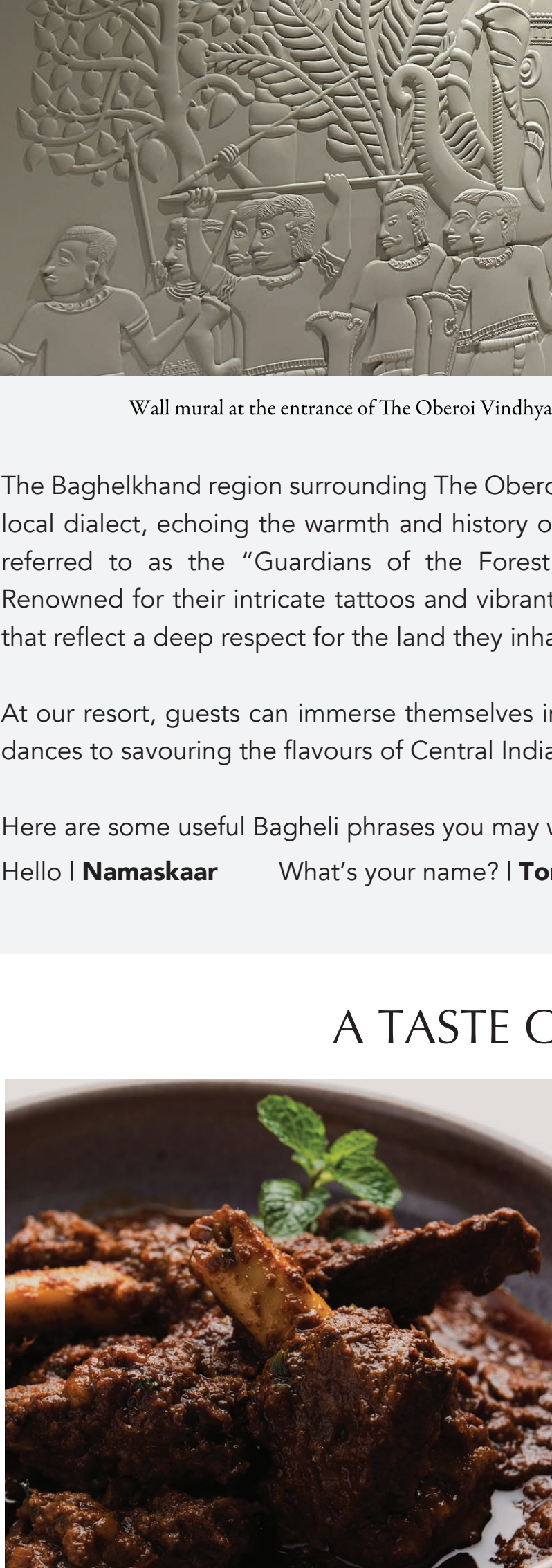
Places to Visit

When on safari, take a detour past the 2000-year-old ruins of **Bandhavgarh Fort**. Or discover **Shesh Shaiya**, an 11-metre-long monolithic statue of Lord Vishnu beside a perennial pond that nurtures wildlife throughout the year.

If you want a break from tiger spotting, visit the **Art Ichol commune near Maihar**, where resident artists, craft enthusiasts, writers and photographers collaborate under open skies, and relish the symphonies of nature.

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RECOMMENDED READING



“But the wildest of all the wild animals was the Cat. He walked by himself and all places were alike to him”

Rudyard Kipling
Just So Stories

“Just So Stories” by Rudyard Kipling is a timeless collection of imaginative tales that explain the whimsical origins of animals and natural phenomena. From how the elephant got his trunk to how the leopard got his spots, these charming stories, filled with wit and lyrical prose, are perfect for readers of all ages seeking a touch of wonder and nostalgia.

The enchanting jungles surrounding our wildlife resorts seem to echo the magic of Kipling’s tales. From the tiger trails of Bandhavgarh to the vibrant birdlife of Ranthambore, nature’s bounty provides an invitation to relive the wonder of these timeless stories. Let the call of the wild and the comfort of our hospitality create your very own storybook experiences.

CULTURAL COMPASS



Wall mural at the entrance of The Oberoi Vindhya Vilās depicting a royal procession of the Baiga tribe.

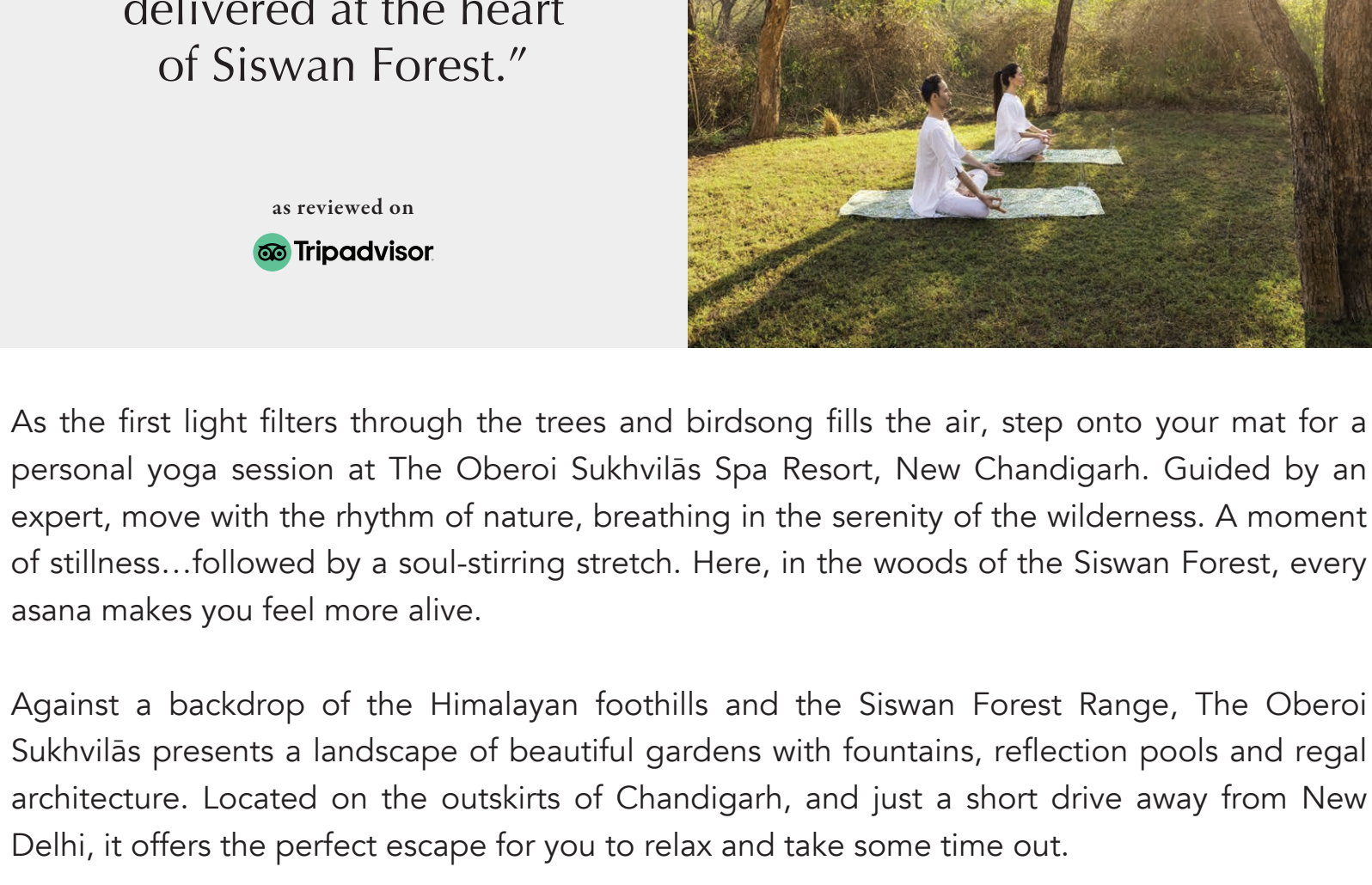
The Baghelkhand region surrounding The Oberoi Vindhya Vilās is rich in culture, with Bagheli, the local dialect, echoing the warmth and history of the land. The indigenous Baiga people, often referred to as the “Guardians of the Forest,” share a profound connection with nature. Renowned for their intricate tattoos and vibrant dances, the Baigas embrace ancient traditions that reflect a deep respect for the land they inhabit.

At our resort, guests can immerse themselves in local customs, from witnessing traditional folk dances to savouring the flavours of Central India’s unique cuisine.

Here are some useful Bagheli phrases you may wish to try during your visit:

Hello | **Namaskaar** What’s your name? | **Tor naam ka hai?** Thank you | **Dhanyavaad**

A TASTE OF OBEROI

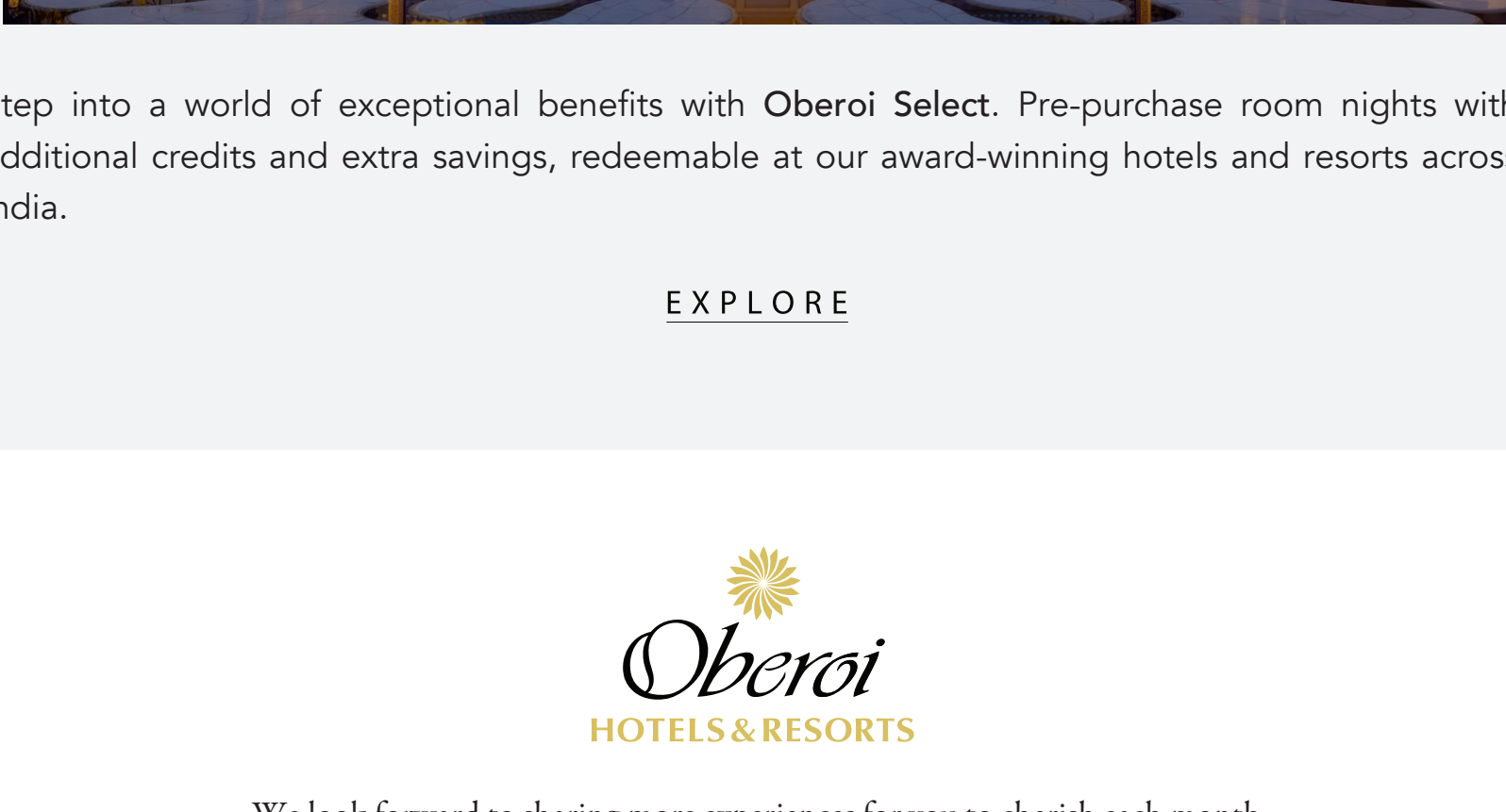


The bespoke dining experiences at The Oberoi Vindhya Vilās Wildlife Resort bring the region’s rich culinary heritage to life with authentic dishes such as **Bhunjwa Maas**, a royal Baghelkhand specialty. The term “*bhunjwa*” refers to a cooking technique in which meat is roasted in its own juices, often with mustard oil and a blend of earthy spices, resulting in a hearty and flavourful dish.

From jungle breakfasts and leisurely lunches to starlit al fresco dinners with artisanal cocktails, every meal at the resort is a journey of taste and tradition.

GUEST STORY SPOTLIGHT

The Oberoi Vanyavilās Wildlife Resort, Ranthambhore



“If you think of ultimate luxury and top-tier service, The Oberoi Group is the only name that comes to mind. From the moment we arrived at The Oberoi Vanyavilās, the experience felt like living the life of Maharajas and Maharanis. We were welcomed with a warm apple cider drink and given a private tour of the property by Aashi, who made the entire experience unforgettable. The highlight was when Aashi gifted my wife a beautiful animal print scarf, a gesture that left her speechless. It’s these personal touches that set The Oberoi apart. We can’t wait to return...”

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WELLNESS WISDOM

The Oberoi Sukhvilās Spa Resort, New Chandigarh

“Exceptional comfort and hospitality delivered at the heart of Siswan Forest.”

as reviewed on
Tripadvisor

As the first light filters through the trees and birdsong fills the air, step onto your mat for a personal yoga session at The Oberoi Sukhvilās Spa Resort, New Chandigarh. Guided by an expert, move with the rhythm of nature, breathing in the serenity of the wilderness. A moment of stillness...followed by a soul-stirring stretch. Here, in the woods of the Siswan Forest, every asana makes you feel more alive.

Against a backdrop of the Himalayan foothills and the Siswan Forest Range, The Oberoi Sukhvilās presents a landscape of beautiful gardens with fountains, reflection pools and regal architecture. Located on the outskirts of Chandigarh, and just a short drive away from New Delhi, it offers the perfect escape for you to relax and take some time out.

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We look forward to sharing more experiences for you to cherish each month.